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FUNDS FOR TOURISM DEVELOPMENT
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds allocated to various States for development of tourist spots particularly in Rajasthan, Maharashtra, West Bengal and Jammu & Kashmir during Ninth Plan Period,State-wise and Tourist spot-wise;

(b) the achievements made along with the expenditure involved on each of the projects during the above period, State-wise;

(c) the details of tourism projects submitted by the States and approved by the Union Government during 2000 and 2001 along with the funds allocated for them, State-wise;

(d) the details of ongoing tourism projects sponsored by the Union Government, State-wise; and

(e) the time by which each of the projects is likely to be completed indicating the estimated expenditure thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM,STATISTICS & PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a) and (b) : The Department of Tourism, Government of India provides Central financial assistance to the State Governments/UT Administrations every year in consultation with them for various projects for development of infrastructure and promotion of tourism in the country. During the first four years of 9th Plan 1359 projects were sanctioned involving an amount of Rs.309.43 crores and an amount of Rs.116.84 crores has been released. A statement showing number of projects sanctioned, amount released State-wise including Rajasthan, Maharashtra, West Bengal, J&K during first four years of 9th Plan is annexed.

(c) :The Department of Tourism, Government of India has sanctioned 338 projects involving an amount of Rs.77.10 crores during 2000-2001 as per the details given in the annexure.

(d) and (e) : As per the information available, the projects sanctioned during 2000-2001 are at various stages of completion. The projects should be completed by the State Govts./UT Administrations within stipulated period of 30 months as per the guidelines of Central financial assistance.